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SUBJECT: HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION (HRC) -- RESOLUTION

ON CSCE

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1. AS INSTRUCTED REFTEL A, WE CALLED AT FCO MORNING FEBRUARY 25 AND SPOKE WITH IVAN CALLAN OF THE UN DEPARTMENT AND PETER SUMMERSCALE WHO IS RESPONSIBLE FOR CSCE DEVELOPMENTS. AFTER REVIEWING PROBLEM OF HRC RESOLUTIONS (REFTELB) WE WENT OVER IN DETAIL SPECIFIC POINTS PARA 2 REFTEL A, LEFT TALKING PAPER COVERING THOSE POINTS AND EMPHASIZED U.S. OPPOSITION TO UNACCEPTABLE NUMAN RIGHTS LANGUAGE OR DISTORTION OF FINAL ACT OF CSCE. WE ALSM PASSED TO BRITISH TEXT OF NON-ALIGNED CONFIDENTIAL

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RESOLUTION WHICH THEY HAD NOT YET RECEIVED FROM GENEVA.

- 2. BRITISH RESPONSE WAS BUREAUCRATIC VERSION OF OWL AND THE RIGHTENGALE. CALLAN (UN) OBSERVED THAT WHILE HUMAN RIGHTS LANGUAGE OF NON-ALIGNED RESOLUTION WAS "NOT PLEASANT"' WEST "HAD LIVED WITH THESE SORT OF RESOLUTIONS BEFORE." ON OTHER HAND, SUMMERSCALE (CSCE) CONDEMNED EASTERN ATTEMPT TO EXPLOIT FINAL ACT IN WAY UNACCEPTABLE TO WEST. BOTH SAID MATTER WOULD BE REFERRED TO MORE SENIOR LEVEL IN FCO FOR DECISION AND MUCH WOULD DEPEND ON RECOMMENDATION OF UK DELEGATION IN GENEVA.
- 3. CONVERSATION ENDED ON OMINOUS NOTE. AS WE WERE LEAVING, CALLAN RECEIVED PHONE CALL FROM GENEVA WHICH INDICATED "STRONG CONSENSUS" WAS DEVELOPIRG AMONG "WESTERN DELEEATIONS" TO ABSTAIN ON NON-ALIGNED RESOLUTIOR. SPIERS

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